('Silken Lute)

† 24/12/35

23 April 46

Dux vitae mortuus
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Royde-Smith stone
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Silken Lute

comes later (Jan 55)

PRIVATE & PERSONAL

Fort.

Christmas Eve 1935

Miss Wally says

'A Lady with a silken lute' — well —

I see — some lines I did not
hear this thin sheet make a sound
— it cracked must.

Yr nice pall
William Jerome Taplow

I may say this type of poemtry
does not ring true it is hollow to
a large extent, as what of these
Chinese fillies they are made the wrong
way round I fear.

Cyles. 'well a very fine Tichy Cracked poem
one of your young gentlemen might learn a thing
two a careful study of Mr Thomas Hardy'